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## PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

TO: THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231

Please amend the above application as follows:

In the specification:

Page 1, after the title, please insert the following new paragraph:

--This application claims priority from Japanese application No. 2000-158683, filed May 29, 2000.--

In the drawings:

Please substitute the attached 11 sheets of drawings for the original drawings.

## Remarks

The amendment to the specification clarifies that priority is claimed from Japanese application No. 2000-158683. This corrects an incorrect notation in the declaration. The replacement drawings are clearer copies of the original drawings. Applicant requests consideration of the application.

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